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- ☒ The International Search Report from International Application No. PCT/US02/36821 (6 pgs.).

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicants request that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicants with the next official communication.

The attached documents were discovered as a result of a Search Report in Applicants' corresponding foreign patent application. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the cited documents and the Search Report. The concise explanation and relevance of the non-English language documents is believed to be provided by the category listing, e.g. "A", "X", "Y", etc., on the enclosed Search Report according to MPEP 609.

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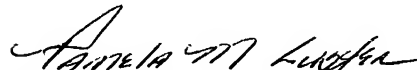
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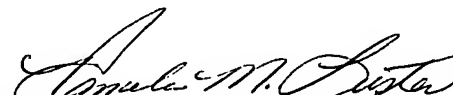
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